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Atty. Docket No. 470-961125

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit 1644

In re application of

PEPTIDE FRAGMENTS OF

MICROBIAL STRESS PROTEINS

Serial No. 08/716,169

AND PHARMACEUTICAL

COMPOSITION MADE THEREOF

Filed December 17, 1996

FOR THE TREATMENT AND PREVENTION OF

Examiner Patrick J. Nolan, Ph.D.

Stephen M. ANDERTON et al.

INFLAMMATORY DISEASES

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

March 25, 2003

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant requests a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. The outstanding Action was mailed on November 25, 2002 and the period set for response was three months, bringing the response to be due on February 25, 2003. Therefore, a one-month extension of time will bring the response due on March 25, 2003. A Notice of Appeal is being submitted concurrently herewith.

A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents,

Washington, D.C. 20231

03/25/2003 Date

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The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. The original and two copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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